

Loss in Punjab Roadways, Nangal

4815. SHRI KESHRI LAL:
SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH:
SHRI ROSHAN LAL:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Punjab Roadways, Nangal suffered an avoidable loss of lakhs of rupees due to non-revision of fares as per Government notification;

(b) if so, whether responsibility has been fixed for this loss;

(c) the number of other irregularities reported in this Depot during the last six months and the loss involved therein; and

(d) the action taken by the Government against the guilty persons for dereliction of duty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Alleged Thefts in Elgin Mills Company Limited

4816. SHRI V. SREENIVASA PARASAD:
SHRI M.V. CHANDRASEKHARA MURTHY:
SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether large scale thefts of property of the Elgin Mills Company Limited, a subsidiary of the British India Corporation Ltd., have been reported;

(b) if so, whether any enquiry has been conducted in this regard and responsibility fixed;

(c) if so, the facts and details thereof;

(d) the action taken against those found guilty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) to (d). One incident of alleged theft on 23.11.91 is under investigation by the Police. Prior to this, another incident of theft occurred in October, 1987. As regards the incident of theft reported in October, 1987 the services of the officer found guilty were terminated in November, 1988. In respect of the theft case reported on 23.11.91, the Circle Officer, Colonelganj, Police Station, Kanpur, in his report dated 4.12.1991 opined that actually no theft was committed and the auctioned material was being carried in the truck which was, on a complaint from a dismissed employee, intercepted. However, pursuant to objections and complaints from different quarters, the matter has again been taken up by Police for investigation. The question regarding fixing of responsibility and the action to be taken will arise only on the completion of the final investigation.

Bridges on National Highway No. 5 in Orissa

4817. DR. KARTIKESWAR PATRA
SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of river bridges situated on National Highway No. 5 in Orissa;

(b) whether the Government propose to construct some new river bridges at the same locations and widen some major river